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STATE ED BOARD ANNOUNCES GRANTS FOR BEFORE- AND AFTER-SCHOOL CENTERS

After-school programs will soon open at six new sites in the Nebraska communities of Broken Bow, Fremont and Scottsbluff.

After-school programs provide extra help for students in reading, mathematics and other studies. The State Board of Education approved grants for the following new programs:

- Central Plains Center for Services received an \$85,463 federal grant for programs in Broken Bow at North Park Elementary School and Custer Elementary School.
- Fremont Public Schools received a \$274,500 federal grant for programs at Linden Elementary School, Milliken Park Elementary School and Washington Elementary School.
- Scottsbluff Public Schools received a \$50,120 federal grant for a program at Westmoor Elementary School.

In addition, 10 quality programs at 26 schools across the state will continue to receive federal grants for 21st Century Community Learning Center programs. These grants are available for five years. The programs are:

- Collective for Youth's programs in Omaha at Bancroft Elementary School and Gilder Elementary School received a \$50,000 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth's programs in Omaha at Castelar Elementary School, Central Park Elementary School and Hartman Elementary School received a \$110,700 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth's programs in Omaha at Druid Hill Elementary School and Skinner Magnet Center received a \$50,000 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth's program in Omaha at Mount View Elementary School received a \$50,000 federal grant.
- Communities Together Can's programs in Columbus received a \$149,163 federal grant for a program at Centennial Elementary School, Emerson Elementary School, Lost Creek Elementary School, North Park Elementary School, West Park Elementary School and Columbus Middle School.
- Madison Public Schools' program at Madison Elementary School received a \$50,000 federal grant.

- Lexington Public Schools' programs at Bryan Elementary School, Morton Elementary School, Pershing Elementary School and Sandoz Elementary School received a \$105,000 federal grant.
- Lincoln Public Schools' programs at Everett Elementary School and Lakeview Elementary School received a \$64,750 federal grant.
- North Platte Public Schools' programs at Buffalo Elementary School, Jefferson Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School and Washington Elementary School received a \$105,250 federal grant.
- O'Neill Public Schools' program at O'Neill Elementary School received a \$50,030 federal grant.

The primary goals of 21st Century Community Learning Centers are improved student learning, increased social benefits and positive behavioral changes as well as increased family and community engagement in Nebraska schools.

Over the past 10 years, the Nebraska Department of Education has awarded federal grants for students at more than 100 different sites in 29 Nebraska communities. The 21st Century Community Learning Centers program is funded under Title IV, Part B, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.